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Re:

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For: Method and Computer Program Product for Precise Feedback Data Generation and Updating for Compile-Time Optimization

Inventors: Stephenson *et al*.

Our Ref:

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Amendment and Reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116;
- 2. Courtesy copies of the twenty-four (24) documents previously cited in an Information Disclosure Statement filed on February 19, 2002 and a courtesy copy of eight pages from the textbook *Advanced Compiler Design and Implementation*; and
- 3. Two (2) return postcards.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcards be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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